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Colleagues,

Further to Afternoon Brief No. 1, the Burma desk confirmed former Secretary Albright was among those removed from the travel blacklist. The Watch informed former Secretary Albright of the news.

Thank you, regards,

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BURMA: 1000 FOREIGNERS AMONG THOSE PULLED FROM BLACKLIST

(U) The list, which contains the names of individuals deemed national security threats, prevents some foreigners from entering Burma and prohibits certain Burmese nationals from exiting or re-entering. (AP)

CHINESE PRESIDENT HU REAFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR EURO RECOVERY

(SBU) During German Chancellor Merkel's visit, President Hu underscored the important role of the IMF in resolving the European debt crisis, media report. He added China is ready to safeguard the stability of the global financial system. The China desk comments China previously expressed concern about bailing out Europe, but appears to have decided the consequences of inaction could be worse. The Office of the Chief Economist adds the Eurozone crisis poses considerable risks for China. President Hu's comments might reflect frustration with the slow resolution of the crisis and could suggest Chinese authorities want the IMF to play a more decisive role. *(Ops/China desk telcon and e-mail, Ops/Office of the Chief Economist telcon and e-mail, Xinhua News)*

GHANAIAN PRESIDENT MAHAMA TO RUN IN DECEMBER ELECTION

(SBU) Ghana's ruling National Democratic Congress party formally nominated President Mahama, who took office following the death of President Mills, to face National Patriotic Party candidate Nana Akufo-Addo, media report. The Ghana desk comments Akufo-Addo and his party are predicted to win the election and recapture parliament. Disappointing oil revenues and the concealment of Mills' failing health eroded electoral confidence in the governing party. *(Ops/Ghana desk telcon and e-mail, AP)*

ANGOLAN POLICE ARREST OPPOSITION MEMBERS ON EVE OF VOTE

(SBU) About a dozen opposition party members demonstrated at the electoral commission building to demand observer credentials for the August 31 national election, media report. Embassy Luanda comments the electoral commission has handled most preparations well but has faced problems credentialing observers, leading many opposition parties to fear the election will not be free and fair. The main opposition party, which fought the incumbent party during the civil war, declared it will reject the results if it considers the process fraudulent. *(Ops/Embassy Luanda telcon and e-mail, Reuters)*

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